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## **Agents Corner**

### **4-H Expands Outreach to Schools**

I want to take this opportunity to thank volunteers Kathy Williamson, and Lori Eisen for taking on the initiative to bring 4-H to the schools. Kathy is working with the Renton School District and Lori will be involved with the Highline School District. 4-H School Enrichment and short term projects are excellent ways to introduce 4-H to new audiences. In addition, Jim Olson continues to provide 4-H material at a school in the Enumclaw School District.

If any of you are doing demonstrations, or project related activities at any school in King County, please let us know. These types of informal educational activities would qualify as part of outreach for 4-H. The 4-H office will provide you with what is called a 4-H Group Enrollment form that is easy to fill out. It asks for the name of the school, number of students reached, and the ethnic background of the students that participated.

Our goal is to use this type of 4-H delivery to reach more youth and expose them and their families to the 4-H experience. If you are involved, or plan to be involved in these opportunities, please let us know about them. We will make sure your great work is reported and documented.

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## Dates to Remember

- June 5<sup>th</sup> - Kent Farmers Market
- June 4-6 - Washington State 4-H Technology Leadership Conference, Panhandle 4-H Camp in Shelton, WA. Go to: <http://4h.wsu.edu/news/calendar/techconference.pdf> for more information
- June 27 - 30 State Teen Conference in Pullman
- July 21 - 25 - King County 4-H Fair

## Exchange Opportunities For 4-H Families

Carol Beckman

I am asking each of you to help find those families that will host a 13 or 14 or 16 year old Japanese boy for the 4-week summer stay, arriving on July 25 and returning on Aug 21. Please share this information with as many people as possible- I know there are families out there-we just need to ask!

Here are the short bios on the Labo boys---if you have questions about any of them, please contact me, they travel everywhere with me --24/7!!  
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Shuhei -- age 13. Likes fishing, karate, baseball, TV games, wants to see a Mariner game and eat American hamburgers! Likes reading Harry Potter. PE is his favorite subject in school. No allergies.

Daisuke - age 13. Likes playing ping pong, reading books and listening to music. Wants to make many friends in America and play with them. No allergies.

Tadanori - age 13. Likes playing electric organ, reading comic books, drawing illustrations, TV games, and making plastic models. He wants to have a good experience in America and make many new friends. No allergies.

Yudai - age 13. Likes making plastic models, computer, automobiles, drawing cartoons, painting pictures, reading and origami. "My father is owner of a motorcycle shop, so I would also like to see a motorcycle and a car. I'd like to exchange information about them in America, I'm good at origami and Ayatori, so I'd like to show them to my host." No allergies.

Hiroto - age 13. Likes playing soccer, jogging, cycling, listening to music, playing piano and traveling. "I want to ride a big horse. I am interested in American football." Wants to show Japanese cooking. Has a dog, Windy. His Father is a fireman. No allergies.

Naoto - age 13. Likes playing baseball, watching movies and listening to rock music. Wants to know American culture, watch a baseball game and go to a rock concert. Has some medicine allergies to viccillin (ABPC) and Claforan (CTX).

Rikiya -age 13. Likes playing soccer, cycling, swimming, camping and watching movies. Wants to learn to play American games and to teach host to play Japanese games. No allergies.

Shota -age 14. Likes playing basketball, swimming, tennis, cycling and listening to music. He has lots of comic books! Wants to learn the difference of cultures, lifestyle, school life, and customs. Wants to make friends and communicate with host and his friends. He has a dog, Henry. No allergies.

Soma -age 14. Likes swimming, reading, watching baseball and Nintendo. "I heard American food is everything big, want to ascertain the real facts."

Wants to take care of animals. Comes from a single parent home (Mom). Grandparents live with them. He has no allergies.

Taku -age 16. Likes baseball, singing songs, talking with friends and listening to popular music. "I have many, many friends in Japan and I'd like to make many friends in USA. I'd like to show you Japanese dances and culture." Favorite subject in school is music. Taku has allergies to: cat hair, dog hair-outside animals.

He has had asthma-but parents say not now-parent is worried about a different environment. He has medication, Theodur for asthma, when he needs it.

## **Megan Riebe Appointed 4-H Development Director**

Megan Riebe, assistant director of Foundation Relations at Washington State University, has been named 4-H Extension Director of Development and Director of the 4-H Foundation. Riebe will be responsible for establishing and maintaining a strong fund-raising program on behalf of WSU Extension and the 4-H Foundation. Riebe earned a bachelor's degree in marketing at WSU in 1990. Following graduation, she worked in sales for Hyatt Hotels & Resorts and later served as administrator of the Pacific Conservation District. She also worked as a private fund-raising consultant and in development positions at the Columbia-Pacific Resource Conservation and Economic Development District, and Central Washington University before returning to Washington State University in 2001 to become development coordinator in the College of Sciences. She moved to the central WSU Foundation staff in 2003. Riebe will begin her new duties on June 1. Her primary office will be located in Pullman but she also will work out of the 4-H Foundation office at the WSU Puyallup Research and Extension Center.

## **Kent Lions Club Saturday Market Features 4-H**

Coming attractions: 4-H at the Kent Lions Club Saturday Market. Opening June 5. If you would like to market your club, project or program during opening festivities (when lots of people pass by!); please call the office to sign up for a 2 - 3 hour slot at the market that day.

The 4-H Contact for the Kent Lions Club Saturday Market is Marilyn Newport. If you have any questions or want to schedule your club on a Saturday please contact her at Phone - 253-852-6944 or <mailto:thenewports@msn.com> This going to be a great way to Market 4-H.

## **Food Judges Training**

Food Judges Training, Sunday May 23rd from 1-5 at the 4H office. This training is for parents and leaders who want to understand how food entries are judged at the fair, as well as those who would like to be a food judge. There is no charge, but each participant is asked to bring a baked item we can practice judging

(ie.cookies, cake, pie, bread). Please RSVP by Saturday, May 24th by calling Genie Charvet 253-520-5924

## Clover Facts: Did You Know?

The official 4-H Emblem is a clover with four leaves and an "H" on each leaf. The clover's stem must point to the right as you look at the image. The 4-H Emblem is not a plain four-leaf clover. The 4-H Emblem should appear in specific colors and in its entirety. The 4-H Name & Emblem belongs to the 4-H Youth Development Program, under the authority of USDA and anyone wishing to use it must obtain permission to use it ahead of time.

The full text of Clover 101 "Using the 4-H Name and Emblem" can be obtained from Carey Roos at <mailto:Carey.Roos@metrokc.gov> We will be doing more clover awareness articles each week from this material.

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